

# The RivenSTAR

*Bimonthly Edition*

## Letter from The Chronicler

It has been my honor to once again serve as the Chronicler for the Barony of Rivenstar. I leave you in capable hands. Lady Zilia degli Giudici served as the Chronicler for the Barony of Shadowed Stars and has recently moved to our barony. She has graciously offered to serve as our new Baronial Chronicler.

I will be stepping up to serve as the Constellation Regional Chronicler and I look forward to continuing to serve the Barony of Rivenstar and the Middle Kingdom in this new role.

This will be my last newsletter. Lady Zilia will be publishing the November/December issue. She has some great ideas, so I hope the Barony of Rivenstar will welcome her and help her make *The RivenSTAR* better than ever.

- In Service, Lady Katrin Grimsdottir

*The Barony of Rivenstar  
cordially invites you to our annual*

## Christmas Court

**December 1st, 2018**

**Saint Ann's Memorial Hall  
612 Wabash Avenue  
Lafayette, Indiana 47905**



**Doors open at 12:00 pm  
Arts & Sciences activities and classes will start  
at noon and continue until 4:30 pm**

**We will begin feast set up at 4:30 pm  
Feast service begins 5:00 pm  
Court will follow feast**

**The feast is potluck, so bring your  
favorite dish or beverage to share.**

**This is a full garb event & we will have the  
loaner garb available. BYO feast gear, but we  
will have paper products available.**

**We must be cleaned up and off site by 8:00 pm**

**Check out the Facebook Event Page  
for more information!**

## Three Saints & a Witch

April 13th, 2019



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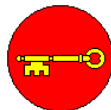
**Business Meeting Minutes  
From 8-20-18 thru 10-15-18**

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# Baronial Activities & Events

## Weekly Activities

### Every Monday

#### **Madrigal Singers Rehearsal**

7:00 pm - Stewart Center\*

Contact: Pieter van Doorn

### 1st and 3rd Mondays of the Month

#### **Baronial Business Meetings**

8:00 pm - Stewart Center\*

### 2nd and 4th Mondays of the Month

#### **Arts & Sciences Nights**

8:00 pm - Stewart Center\*

### Tuesdays

#### **Dance Practice**

Evenings - Stewart Center\*

### Every Wednesday

#### **Heavy and Rapier Fighter Practice**

8:00 pm - Purdue Armory (Fall - Spring)

6:00 pm - Slayter Hill (during the Summer)

### Thursdays

#### **Armoring and Projects Night**

5:30 pm - House MacAoidh

Contact Baron Adhamh for the address  
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### Every Sunday

#### **Archery & Thrown Weapons Practice**

1:00 pm - Huis Doorn (weather permitting)

12:00 pm - Purdue Armory during winter

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*\*Check the Facebook page for weekly times and room assignments. Stewart Center room assignments are also posted at the entrances of Stewart Center. Practices and meetings are subject to change or may be cancelled due to Purdue holiday facility closings.*

## Upcoming Event Schedule

**10-20-18 Fall Crown Tourney**  
Marche of Three Towers, Ashland, OH

**10-29-18 Additional Business Meeting**  
Rivenstar, West Lafayette, IN

**11-17-18 Fall RUM** (Royal Univ. of the Midrealm)  
Grenemere, Celina, OH

**12-1-18 Christmas Court**  
Rivenstar, Lafayette, IN

**4-13-19 Three Saints and a Witch**  
Rivenstar, West Lafayette, IN

**7-26 to 8-11-19 PENNSIC War**  
Slippery Rock, PA

**9-7-19 Archery Collegium**  
Rivenstar, Lafayette, IN



## Check out our Official Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/BaronyofRivenstar/>

### Official Facebook Groups:

Barony of Rivenstar, West Lafayette, IN SCA  
Barony of Rivenstar Archery

*Note: All new Facebook groups that plan to post official information and Baronial business must be approved by the Rivenstar Social Media Officer.*

**Rivenstar Website: [rivenstar.midrealm.org](http://rivenstar.midrealm.org)**

# Baronial Business Meeting Minutes

## Meeting Minutes for 8-20-18

14 in attendance

### Officer Reports

**Seneschal** – Sent in her report.

**Chatelaine** – Ladoga School Demo in Crawfordsville: Monday October 9th from noon to 2:00 pm. This is a medieval type festival for the children. There will be free food for participants. See Rocky for more details.

**Archery & Thrown Weapons** – Gunnar will post the Tuesday practice schedule and will check to see what the availability will be for the Armory on Sundays.

### Announcements & Events

#### Social Media Policy

- Each group needs an official Facebook Page. We only have a group page.
- Katrin volunteered to be the new Social Media Officer for the barony as she will be stepping down as the Chronicler very soon.
- We will need at least two other admins to moderate the Facebook Page. The group discussed having the Seneschal and the Webminister have admin access to the page.

**Project Night** – Thurs 23rd at Adam & Malie's House

#### Mosey Down Main Street

- The last Mosey of the season is Saturday Sep 1st.
- Rocky volunteered to run the Mosey next year.

#### Callout Postponed for August 29th

- The Student org was not able to post flyers on campus last week.
- The callout has been rescheduled for Wednesday August 29th, 8:00 pm in the Armory.
- Katrin will modify the flyer and send it out. Notices will be posted on social media.

#### Student Org

- We discussed and came up with a list of duties that are needed from the student organization to keep the club running and our access to use Purdue facilities.
- Brianna the Small compiled the full list, but here are some of the highlights:
  - Communicate and coordinate activities with the Seneschal.
  - Compile and maintain and list of active students.
  - Schedule meeting rooms and spaces on campus.

- Sign up the student org for activities fairs.
- Distribute flyers & other advertisements for Callouts.
- Coordinate elections and hand over relevant files and materials to the next officers.

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## Meeting Minutes for 8-27-18

11 in attendance

### Event Reports:

#### Baroness Wars - Tournament of Defense

Jacob and Pieter attended the ToD. There were only a handful of participants from the Constellation Region. Katrin marshalled for thrown weapons. Griffin won the brewing competition.

### Officer Reports

**Chatelaine** – Ladoga School Demo in Crawfordsville: Monday October 9th from noon to 2:00 pm. See Rocky for more details.

**Archery & Thrown Weapons** – We have Sundays scheduled in the armory, but we want to stay outdoors as long as possible.

**Social Media** – Our official Facebook Page is now active and hopefully in compliance with the new Society rules. Katrin hopes to take one of the upcoming social media classes offered by the new Middle Kingdom Social Media officer.

### Announcements & Events

**Purdue Medieval Society Callout** - August 29th  
Purdue Armory - 8:00pm

**Mosey Down Main Street** - Sep 1st – 6:00-8:00pm

**4-H SCA Crossover Demo** – Sep 13th – 7:00-8:00pm

- The 4-H is hosting an event at the Hendricks's County Expo Hall.
- There will be tables set up to display crossover crafts and activities that are relevant to both 4-H and SCA. See Encara for more details.

#### Christmas Court

- Rocky is looking into getting the same site as last year at Saint Ann's Hall.
- We are looking at either Dec 1st or Dec 8th with a strong emphasis on Dec 1st.

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## Spring Event

We would like to use Ross Camp again.  
Perhaps an Irish theme? Three Saints and a Shillelagh?  
Either April 13th or April 27th.

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## Meeting Minutes for 9-10-18

17 in attendance

(No Meeting 9-3-18 – Labor Day Holiday)

## Event Reports: Mounted War Games

Gunnar won the Constellation Regional Archery Championship!

We did not have a room scheduled for the Stewart center since the site was being used for a large Purdue event, so we met in the basement of the Student Union in front of Starbucks.

Gunnar introduced Zilia as a new member of the barony. She just moved here from Shadowed Stars in Fort Wayne where she was active as the Baronial Chronicler and cooked for feasts. When she remarked how different Rivenstar was from Shadowed Stars, Moonwolf replied that in Rivenstar, "Rainbow farting unicorns flit across the landscape."

Embrace the weirdness.

## Officer Reports

**Exchequer** – The monthly report has been signed.

**Chatelaine** – If you want to volunteer for the upcoming demo on October 8th at the Ladoga School in Crawfordsville, please contact Rocky.

**Archery & Thrown Weapons** – Wil is working on indoor targets for use in the armory. Gunnar is shuttling students to the outdoor Sunday practices at Huis Doorn. If anyone would like to help, please contact her.

**Chronicler** – Katrin published the latest newsletter. She sent it via the Rivenlist and it can be found on the website.  
- Zilia will be taking over as the new Baronial Chronicler. Katrin will submit her last report and her last edition of the newsletter in October.

## Announcements & New Events

**4-H SCA Crossover Demo** – Sep 13th 7:00-8:00 pm

**Ladoga School Demo** – October 8th 12:00-2:00 pm

## Christmas Court – Dec 1st

- It will start at noon or 1:00 pm – 8:00 pm
- There were several ideas for locations for Christmas Court this year.
- We decided that Saint Ann's Church on December 1st was the best choice for the majority of the members and students who were likely to attend.
- Katrin will create a Facebook event page.
- Rocky will finalize the details with the church including the insurance requirements.
- We will need to pay an additional \$100.00 for insurance for the site despite the insurance coverage we have with the SCA.
- Doors will open at 1:00 pm. Rocky will check to see if we can get in at noon.
- Food set up is from 4:30-5 with feast starting at 5 pm.
- We discussed having court during the end of feast rather than cleaning up and resetting the hall.
- We need to be cleaned up and off site by 8:00 pm which is an hour earlier than last year.

## Past Event Reports

### Callout

- The Callout brought a large number of new students to the Armory Wednesday night at the regular fighter practice. We had display tables and members available to talk with new students. Several of them tried on loaner gear and learned the basics of sword fighting.
- Katrin reported that we had at least six of the new students requesting access to the Facebook Group or liking our FB Page.
- Four students showed up for heavy fighter practice the following week.

### Mosey Down Main Street

- We had our last Mosey demo for the year on September 1st.
- Rocky will be arranging for our participation in the Mosey season for 2019.
- Katrin is stepping down as the leader/autocrat for the Mosey demo series. She will hand over materials and create a guide for running Mosey.

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## Meeting Minutes for 9-17-18

17 in attendance

## Event & Activity Reports: Reign of Arrows

Gunnar participated in several archery competitions

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including challenging the current holder of the Ash Ring. She won the Group Archery Competition. She also discussed many of the upcoming changes that are happening to the big archery championships normally held at Reign of Arrows and Better War through Archery.

Baroness Malie attended a webinar about concussions among SCA fighters and how the injuries are similar to what is found among football players.

Katrin attended a live online class for the new Social Media Officers.

## Officer Reports

**Exchequer** – 'Coise was able to track down the person who had not cashed one of our checks. They should be depositing the check soon so we can balance our account.

**Herald** – Jacob's report is due in two weeks. He is available for heraldic consultations.

**Chronicler** – Katrin will be publishing the September/October edition of the newsletter and will file the report due October 1st. Zilia will publish the November/December edition. She also plans to change the format next year to a quarterly newsletter.

**Social Media** – Katrin discussed the difference between the Facebook group and the Facebook page and how the Society is changing its social media policies. See more details at the end of the minutes.

## Announcements & New Events

**Ladoga School Demo** – October 8th 12-2 pm

**Christmas Court** – December 1st 12- 8 pm

### Weekly Meeting Changes

- We discussed the possibility of changing from a weekly meeting format to meeting twice a month.
- The proposal is to have official business meetings the first and third Mondays of the month. We would then have informal A&S sessions the second and fourth Mondays of the month.
- This new cycle would begin next month Oct 1st, 2018.
- There will be, on occasion, some months that only have three Mondays and some that will have five, so we will arrange the A&S schedule as needed.
- Madrigal practices will still happen weekly.

- We want to make the barony more accessible to students and newcomers without having to sacrifice one more night of our busy lives to the SCA. We can do formal classes or have stations set up for new people to pick and choose what they want to work on first such as garb making, embroidery, picking out a persona, heraldry, and so on.

- We will continue the discussion at next week's meeting and make a final decision, but the majority of the members in attendance this week were enthusiastic about the new schedule.

### Three Saints

- Ross Camp is not available April 27th, 2019. There is a penciled in reservation on that date for another group.
- It is available April 13th, 2019.
- Encara volunteered to be the autocrat this year and will look into confirming the Ross camp date for us.
- We are still working on this year's theme.

### Room Reservations

- Gallien has requested the list of reservations from the scheduling office and will send it to the seneschal. We should have a list soon.
- Purdue is open on Columbus Day; there is a meeting.

### Social Media Policies

#### Facebook PAGE:

- We will use the Facebook PAGE as our public face for formal announcements we want the general public to know about.
- The Facebook PAGE also links the official groups together. We have the baronial group and the archery group pages linked to the FB PAGE.
- When people search for the barony of Rivenstar and find our FB PAGE, they can choose to "Like" the FB PAGE and/or click the "Join this Group" button/link. Currently, the Social Media Officer, the Seneschal, and the Webminister will be admins for the FB PAGE and can post announcements.
- All official activities that have a Facebook Event Page must be created on the FB PAGE. This includes Three Saints, Christmas Court, official practices, collegiums, etc.
- Anyone can "Like" the FB PAGE and have the information show up in their news feed.

#### Facebook Group:

- We will continue to use this group as a source of internal conversation as we always have. Unofficial gatherings and party event pages will continue to be posted here.
- Only members of the Facebook Group can see the discussions and posts on their Facebook feeds.
- The Group will continue to have multiple admins and

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moderators. As the SMO, I limited the people who have admin power to officers.

## Banned posts

- As per Society rules, we are not permitted to post about mundane politics. This includes endorsing political candidates even if they are SCA members. Our social media platforms are not the appropriate venues for mundane politics or posts that promote racism or hatred for any individual group. This also falls under the Bullying Policy.

- The Kingdom Social Media Officer has given the local SMOs broad authority to remove posts or ban individuals who break the new rules.

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## Meeting Minutes for 9-24-18

19 in attendance

### Officer Reports

**Seneschal** – Brianna is reviewing the Christmas Court and Ross Camp contracts.

She also requested that people investigate alternate meeting room sites and send her suggestions so we have backup spaces when Stewart is unavailable.

**Exchequer** – We have a check for the Christmas court site fee.

**Archery & Thrown Weapons** – We had 11 people including three new people attend practice on Sunday.

### Announcements & New Events

**Ladoga School Demo** – October 8th 12:00-3:00 pm

- If you want to eat lunch, arrive at 11:00 am.
- Contact Rocky so she can add you to the list. Bring an ID to get on campus.

**Christmas Court** – December 1st 12 pm – 8 pm

### Weekly Meeting Changes

- We will start the new rotation in October. Business meetings will be the first and third Mondays of the month with A&S craft night being the second and fourth Mondays.
- October 8th will be the first craft night. People will bring a sampling of crafts and we will be polling the populous for ideas.
- Encara has volunteered to start a cloak making class series beginning October 22nd. She also suggested we open the class up to other groups on campus such as

the fantasy groups to possibly attract more interest in the SCA.

## Three Saints and a Witch – April 13th, 2019

- Site fees are estimated at \$1800 & a deposit of \$300.
- Encara is the autocrat with Gunnar as her deputy.
- Three Saints and a Witch will be an Elizabethan/ Shakespearean theme.
- Zilia will be the Feastocrat.
- William is the Archery MIC.
- Ursus has a webpage already set up, so send him any changes and schedule information.
- Katrin will create a Facebook event page.

## Thrown Weapons Range

There is a higher demand for using the thrown weapons range, so we have been considering moving the targets which currently sit behind the archery range to a new location where both ranges can be used at the same time during Sunday practices at Huis Doorn. Gunnar will discuss it further with Nan and Pieter to find a suitable place. We also discussed types of target materials and construction.

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## Meeting Minutes for 10-1-18

14 in attendance

### Officer Reports

**Herald** - We discussed the neutral gender titles: Noble and Armiger

**Social Media** - we discussed the new website. Katrin will bring her laptop next week during the A&S session and help people get logged on.

**Seneschal** - Brianna signed the contract for Three saints and the event is now on the calendar.

### Announcements & New Events

**A&S Night** - 10-8-18 - STEWART 311

### Digital Picture Frame

- John suggested that we purchase a digital picture frame to use on demo tables instead of using a laptop due to power issues.
- Brianna will look into pricing.

### Participation in the Feast of the Hunters Moon

- Adrienne posted on Facebook an idea to have

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Rivenstar run one of the food booths as a fundraiser next year.

- Without specific details or a proposal, the people present at the meeting declined participation. It's a tremendous undertaking and none of the officers want to add one more thing to our responsibilities.

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## Meeting Minutes for 10-15-18

16 in attendance

### Event & Activity Reports

**Red Dragon** – Gunnar is now the Middle Kingdom Archery Champion.

**Sunday's Archery Practice** – We had a visit from Forester AEfric the Kestrell from Toronto. We also moved the thrown weapons butts to a different location so we can have both archery and TW's practices running side by side.

**Ladoga School Demo** – We had a successful demo two weeks ago at the Ladoga School. There were fighting demos, kids tried on armor, and Rocky wrote the children's names out in calligraphy. There was a fire eater and a jousting knight on horseback as well.

### No Officer Reports

### Announcements & New Events

**Monday A&S Night** – 10-22-18 – STEWART 311 Encara will be teaching the first class in her cloak making series. She will be discussing cloaks and then we will start cutting out fabric.

### Trunk or Treat Volunteer Opportunity

- Gallien forwarded us an email from Faith West Community Center inviting the Medieval Society to participate in the Trunk or Treat event October 27th, 2018 from 2:30 – 5:30 pm. We would need to provide candy and a children's activity.

- Unfortunately, most of the people at the meeting have other obligations that weekend and there was a general consensus not to do it this year.

### Christmas Court

– December 1st, 2018  
Rocky handed over the deposit check and the insurance paperwork to the church for our event site.

### Three Saints and a Witch

– April 13th, 2019  
- We have been getting requests for information

about site fees online. We currently have TBA listed on the event website and the Facebook page. Encara and Brianna agree that using last year's fees is fine, but they want the Exchequers opinion on the matter before we post it publically online ('Coise was not at the meeting).

- We will have the changing rooms again.  
- We will need to discuss if we need port-o-pottys closer to the event date.

- People loved the children's quiet room last year, so we will have a space for that as well.

- We have two showers, but we are not advertising that fact.

- We will need a new water bearer.

- We need a new A&S coordinator as Katrin will not be available to run A&S activities. She will be running the list table for Archery and TWs.

- Encara will be confirming duties with everyone not at the meeting.

### Archery Collegium – Fall 2019

- Nan and Forester AEfric were discussing having Rivenstar run an Archery event next year. We already have the spring event planned and it's close to Sternfeld's Better War with Archery, so we discussed having it in the fall. Reign of Arrows in Michigan is scheduled for 9-14-18. Fall Coronation is scheduled for 9-28-18. We need to pick either the weekend of the September 7th or the 21st.

- It will be on Nan and Pieter's property – Huis Doorn. They will apply for the SCA insurance for their property.

- Katrin volunteered to autocrat with Nan's help.

- Will is going to recruit people to teach classes.

- We discussed food options and possibly having a potluck feast where locals bring the main dishes and out of towners can bring more perishable items, beverages, and sides.

- It will be a wet site and we will have overnight camping. We discussed the leech filled pond and potential drunken shenanigans.

- We also discussed adding Thrown weapons, combat archery, and ballista to the mix.

- We will have archery and possibly other ranges available, so we will need MICs for those.

- John pointed out that since is so close after our usual callout, it will be great opportunity for new students to participate.

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—Minutes recorded Katrin Grimsdottir

